

OHIO FARMERS.

Interesting Statistics by the State Labor Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER'S ANNUAL REPORT

Devoted Almost Exclusively to Agriculture—The Prosperity of Ohio Farmers—The Mortgage Indebtedness—Average Wages—Profits of the Farmers—The Acreage Under Cultivation.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligence.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 24.—State Labor Commissioner W. T. Lewis has filed at the governor's office his annual report for 1893. The document is a departure from precedent, inasmuch as it is devoted almost exclusively to farm statistics and contains a mass of information which, for the most part, has never been touched upon in this state or elsewhere.

The investigation covers 1,500,000 acres, or 7 1/2 per cent of the total acreage of the state. It includes sixty-one counties divided into groups—Western Reserve, northern and lake counties, north-west counties, Muskingum valley, Hocking valley, Scioto valley, Miami valley and southern or Ohio river counties. In order to make the work as purely agricultural as possible proximity to large cities was avoided. The acreage is separated into a classification of farms under fifty acres, farms between fifty and one hundred acres, farms between one hundred and two hundred acres and farms over two hundred acres.

Through requests sent out to county auditors 20,000 names of representative farmers, covering about 1,000 townships, were secured. This list included all grades and extended over every section of the state.

Size of Farms, Acreage, Valuation and Taxation—The total number of farms included in the investigation is 8,671, divided as follows: Farms under 50 acres, 717; farms between 50 and 100 acres, 1,773; farms between 100 and 200 acres, 3,988; farms over 200 acres, 2,193. The cash valuation of the whole number of farms is \$62,787,239. This includes buildings and fixtures and farming implements and machinery, but does not take into account stock or other personal property.

The average assessed valuation per acre is \$21.68, and the average cash valuation \$13.45. The average amount of taxes per acre is 32 cents. The net earnings, given elsewhere at \$1.77 per acre, and the net income plus the tax is \$2.00 per acre. The tax on realty is shown from these deductions to be 15.3 per cent of the amount of savings or net income.

The total mortgage indebtedness reported for the 1,407,548 acres covered by the report is \$4,785,003.

Purposes for which mortgages were created: Purchase money, including incumbrance incurred with which to buy other land \$2,476,102, or 72.6 per cent of the whole; buildings, improvements and repairs \$257,298, or 7.5 per cent of the whole; purchase of agricultural implements, machinery and stock \$56,050, or 1.6 per cent of the whole; investment in business other than farming \$126,300, or 3.7 per cent of the whole; personal obligations and expenses \$34,503, or 0.8 per cent of the whole; sickness \$29,046, or .9 per cent of the whole; other purposes \$107,872, or 3.2 per cent of the whole.

Average wages paid throughout the state: Per winter month with board, \$12 21; same, summer, \$15 58; per winter month, without board, \$18 20; same, summer, \$22 73; per day, with board, 91 cents; same, without board, \$1 16; per day during harvest, with board, \$1 25; same, without board, \$1 56; average wages paid female, help, with board per week, \$1 72. The total amount paid for hired help, covering 1,232,955 acres, is \$1,073,545 51, an average of 88 cents per acre; the average amount paid for hired help for acre of land under cultivation is \$1 00.

It is shown that the average amount expended for groceries is \$76 37 per family and \$16 34 per individual member; shoes and clothing, \$85 01 per family and \$16 34 per member; furniture and household goods, \$23 87 per family and \$4 59 per member. Returns covering 959,780 acres show the amount of savings or net earnings to be \$1,697,693, an average of \$1 77 per acre. The amount of savings per acre of land under cultivation is given at \$2 26. The secretary of state's report places the number of acres under cultivation, including pasture, at 10,123,031. Estimated on returns made to the bureau, the total amount of savings for the state would be \$36,444,004 06.

THEIR TERRIBLE FATE.

Nine Insane Paupers in Iowa Burned to Death on the Poor Farm.

BOONE, IA., Jan. 24.—The building on the Boone county poor farm, in which the incurably insane were confined, was burned at 10 o'clock last night and eight of the nine inmates were burned to death. Only one woman, Mrs. H. Hibbard, escaped from the burning building, and gave the alarm to Steward Holcomb, who was in the main building adjacent. It was then too late to save the insane people and the main building was saved only by the greatest effort. The steward says he banked the fire in the furnace about 9 o'clock and does not know how the fire originated unless from the flue. The dead are: Mary Tucker, John Annisigs, Annie Soderburg, Christine Anderson, Christine Petersen, Mrs. Scott, Tom Leaser, Joseph Craig.

TEGUICIGALPA ATTACKED.

A Battle in Which Forty Hondurians Are Killed and Seventy Wounded.

New York, Jan. 24.—A World dispatch from Tegucigalpa, Honduras, says this city was attacked last night by a strong force of revolutionists and Nicaraguan allies. They succeeded in getting a good deal of ground but were repelled before morning. Forty Hondurians were killed. Seventy were wounded. The Nicaraguan loss was greater. Both sides are preparing for another battle.

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PREVENTED TROUBLE.

The Action of the Miners' Convention—The Riot at the Robbins Mines on Tuesday.

PITTSBURGH, PA., Jan. 24.—The action of the miners' convention yesterday in declaring the mining rate open likely prevented serious trouble to-day at the Robbins mines at Willow Grove. The mines were in operation under the protection of a large force of deputy sheriffs and everything was reported quiet. The damage to the mines by yesterday's outbreak amounts to several hundred dollars. The presence of the mine superintendent alone prevented the total destruction of the works.

President Robbins says that the strikers marched in a body upon the collieries and ordered the men to quit work. When they refused the strikers cut the cable of a loaded train and sent it dashing down the incline. Three cars jumped the track and crashed into the blacksmith shop, wrecking it. Three men who were in the building narrowly escaped death. The miners then proceeded to tear up the rails and wreck the tipples. They then gave the following notice: "We shall return tomorrow and burn the tippie if any work is done."

NATURAL OIL WELL.

Remarkable Discovery by Three Hunters Near Binghamton, N. Y.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Jan. 24.—Three prominent townsmen, Harvey Tewkesbury, Andrew Rogers and Charles W. Watrous, indulged in a fox hunt here. As they were returning home their hounds struck the trail of a fox. They followed it and came upon their hounds barking under a ledge of rocks on the western slope of the old Jared farm. Harvey felt around the ledges for any other holes by which the fox could escape, using a small crowbar. He climbed to the top of the ledge of rocks, striking around with his bar. Suddenly it slipped through his fingers and went down a small fissure. In endeavoring to get it out he lighted a match and dropped it into the fissure in order to see farther into the dark recess. A flash and sudden explosion occurred. A jet of flame shot upward higher than the surrounding tree tops and illuminated the surrounding country. About 100 feet below the place where the well was burning they discovered a flow of oil issuing from a crevice. The stream was large enough to fill a two-inch pipe.

The village is excited over the find, and prospectors are flocking here in great numbers. The hole in the rocks is a mystery, but it is supposed to be a natural seam, extending probably 2,000 feet downward.

A DASTARDLY OUTRAGE.

A Dynamite Cartridge Placed in a Car Stove With Frightful Results.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., Jan. 24.—A terrible outrage, resulting in the death of two men and the fatal injury of some others, occurred this morning just as the Missouri, Kansas & Texas train was leaving San Marcos. A dynamite cartridge, which had been placed in the smoking car stove by some unknown person, exploded, the stove and half the car being scattered in pieces. Ed. Binding, travelling agent of the city brewery, of San Antonio, and J. C. Heideheimer, a prominent merchant of Austin, Texas, were instantly killed. All the other passengers in the car, six in number, were injured, but their names have not been secured.

THE COLD WAVE.

The Storm Travels Rapidly Eastward. Very Cold in the Northwest.

EVANSVILLE, IND., Jan. 24.—A cold wave reached here at 2 o'clock this morning. Snow fell to the depth of six inches, blocking street car traffic several hours. The mercury at 7 o'clock this morning was 6° above zero.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 24.—Shortly after 4 o'clock this morning rain began to fall. It quickly turned to snow with rapidly falling temperature. Three or four inches of snow had fallen and the thermometer was lowered thirty degrees since last night.

ST. PAUL, JAN. 24.—The official report was 20 below to-day in this city. Ordinary thermometers went away below that and a cutting breeze made the cold less endurable. Minus figures were reported from all parts of the northwest east of the mountains. Winnipeg with 40 below was the coldest.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 24.—The dispatches from Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma indicate that the storm was very severe and that the mercury reached the lowest point in years. At Springfield, Mo., the snow is two feet deep and the mercury 16° degrees below. All trains are delayed.

More Rebellion in Nicaragua.

SAN SALVADOR, Jan. 24.—Accounts of uprisings in Nicaraguan cities are being received here. It is reported that the citizens of Leon will proclaim Machado President, in which case Zelaya will be obliged to withdraw his troops from Nicaragua. General Bonilla is said to be shooting prisoners.

Edmond Regnier Dead.

PARIS, Jan. 24.—Edmond Regnier, who undertook the mysterious and abortive negotiations with the Germans during the war of 1870, is dead.

A Plot in Guatemala.

GUATEMALA, Jan. 24.—The police have discovered an extensive conspiracy against President Barrios. Most of the conspirators have fled to Salvador.

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IRON AND STEEL.

A Review of the Pittsburgh Market During the Past Week.

PITTSBURGH, PA., Jan. 24.—The Chronicle Telegraph says: The market for raw iron and steel is in much the same condition as last reported. There is a little more business, and prices are a little lower. The most noteworthy transaction which has occurred since the previous review is the reported sale of 11,000 tons of steel billets. Delivery is to be made in February, March and April, and the price quoted is \$16 70 cash at mill. There have been smaller transactions reported at a slight concession on this price, but it is more confidently believed than ever that the bottom has been reached. Another feature of the situation is that eastern and western competitors, finding that grumbling and sharp criticism do not bring business, are hustling for orders. Evidences are multiplying of an increased volume of trade.

The steel and billet mills of the Illinois Steel Company resumed work on Monday, with a fair amount of orders, and the mills will run as long as the orders hold out.

Lesser pig iron is a little more active, but prices are weak and in some instances lower. A recent sale of southern mill iron in this market is said to have marked the lowest price ever reached. Regarding this sale the American Manufacturer says the price was \$9 50 delivered in Pittsburgh, and it comments thereon as follows: "As the freight on this iron from Alabama was \$4 per ton, it made the price at the furnace \$5 50. This is certainly the lowest price ever recorded in the history of the pig iron trade in this district. For some years past Pittsburgh stove manufacturers have been using more or less southern pig, and a few mills have employed in making common iron. Its quality has always made it sell somewhat below local figures, but when the latter were at the figure quoted a year ago there was something of a margin for the southern product. But now, with a good quality of gray forge iron selling below \$10, southern iron enters this market after paying \$4 per ton freight. This seems almost impossible, and can hardly be explained, but it remains a cold fact. It is not to be supposed that the sale mentioned shows what may be permanently expected of southern iron in the Pittsburgh market. At even the low price of \$9 50 southern iron is hardly desirable, when material of good quality can be secured for 25 cents more per ton. But it is evident that southern iron makers are making a special effort to extend their market."

In manufactured iron and steel no improvement is noted. Structural material is also reported very dull, and orders for steel rails are light, but the pool price is maintained.

Board of Directors Elected.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER. MARTINSBURG, W. VA., Jan. 24.—The stockholders of the Cumberland Valley & Martinsburg railroad met in this place yesterday and elected the following board of directors: Thos. B. Kennedy, M. C. Kennedy, R. W. Stine, Thos. J. Cooper, Geo. M. Bowers, Jas. B. Russell, Wm. T. Stewart, John Stewart, A. J. Thomas, E. Boyd Faulkner, J. F. Lloyd and Holmes Conrad. Hon. Thos. B. Kennedy was elected president and M. T. Ingles secretary.

Specimen Cases.

S. H. Clifford, New Cassel, Wis., was troubled with Neuralgia and Rheumatism, his Stomach was disordered, his Liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him.

Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a running sore on his leg of eight years' standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Speaker, Catawba, Ohio, had five large Fever sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle Electric Bitters and one box Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold by Logan Drug Co.

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